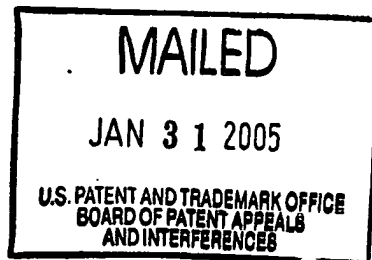


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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Ex parte LARRY L. BRADFORD, EMANUEL PINZONI,
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Application No. 09/392,434

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on November 22, 2004. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith electronically returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

According to page 3 of the Examiner's Answer, "[t]he copy of appealed claims 2, 3, 5-8, and 10-14 contained in the Appendix to the brief is correct." While page 4 of the Answer described two inconsistencies occurring in claims 1 and 9, it is noted that the language of these claims still differs from its last amended version ("hydroxy" v. "hydroxyl"). Correction is required.

In addition, it appears that page 7 of the amendment filed November 1, 2001 is missing from the electronic record of the document.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner:

1. for issuance of a supplemental Examiner's Answer which contains a correct copy of claims 1 and 9, or for notification to appellants to submit a new Appendix to the Appeal Brief filed June 4, 2004 which contains the corrected claims;
2. for providing a complete copy of the November 1, 2001 amendment and having it rescanned into the IFW file; and

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3. for such further action as may be appropriate.

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